

## OUT OF WORK.

Some persons are often out of work. Some of them are looking for work, but possibly with a secret hope that they may not find it. Doubtless they would work if they could find such work as they like and paid such wages as they wish; and perhaps they would not be particular if there were no work at all to do, provided the wages were abundant and the pay sure.

There are many persons who profess to be Christian workers, but they do not seem to find just such work as they like; it is too difficult, it is too obscure, it is not sufficiently remunerative, and they are not willing to do it. Yet all this time there is plenty of work which needs to be done, and real workers are overburdened with labor.

The great Master goes to the market place day by day, and says to the idlers standing there: "Go work in my vineyard to-day, and whatsoever is right I will pay you." Let those who fear the Lord hearken to His call, and whatsoever their hand findeth to do, let them do it with their might. It may not seem to be easy work or profitable work, but if it is work which He appoints it shall not fail of a blessing at His hand.—*The Christian*.

## Church News.

## FROM NEW PARIS, IND.

In receiving the EVANGELIST, the first thing I look after is the church notes. How it makes my heart throb with joy to hear of the glorious work being done in the harvest fields of the Brethren church for the Lord. Oh, what rejoicing there must be in heaven, among the holy angels when so many are making way for the Celestial City!

Our little band at New Paris is zealously and earnestly pulling for the haven of rest, with the Lord Jesus for captain, and Brother Menaugh at the helm, and our vessel heavily freighted with prayer, we may feel sure of anchoring many precious souls in the harbor of glory.

Our protracted effort commences Jan. 25. We earnestly solicit the brothers and sisters, who can, to come and help us in the work. We ask for your prayers also, for through them much may be done.

By relation, we had one dear soul to unite with us recently. We will say more later on. Your sister in the work.

SINDA MAYSE, Sec.

## FROM MASONTOWN, PA.

I am home on a furlough. Last Sunday night I preached in our town pulpit. After preaching I baptized four applicants.

They are all young and intelligent. On Friday I start back to my duties east of the mountains. As far as I have gone the work there is assuming proper shape for future development. It is my intention to consult the Mission Board in Johnstown concerning facilities for its progress. I am sorry that Pennsylvania, and in part the entire brotherhood, is not better prepared for missions. However I'm thankful it's no worse. I'd like a long conversation with you about these matters, provided you'd talk, but a church paper is not the best place to relate the woes and difficulties of a missionary, especially without consent of the editor. The location is too inconvenient, beside it encroaches upon the pleasure of the general reader, unless all are actively sympathizing, no one prejudiced or given to pious criticism. Do not think that I am suffering for the necessities of life, and that I now stand a beggar at your door, or must have your esteem. I am comfortable enough, being well fed, well clothed and well housed. Thanks to thee, my mission friend. But I'm obliged to attack the sins, defend the rights and provide for the needs of those among whom I labor. When the necessary implements are wanting the removal of obstructions is retarded. Invention must then supply deficiencies. I shall hail with gladness the day in which our church will possess a mission thoroughly organized and sufficiently equipped. For a city besieged holds out longer than one that is carried by storm. My work is agreeable to me and I am reasonably satisfied with its progress. Intensity of thought may often sigh, but is not an indication of discouragement. Our houses are always well filled with appreciative audiences, even under adverse circumstances. The prospect grows brighter each day. Sometime it will be glorious.

MARY M. STERLING.

## KANEMORADO ITEMS.

After quite a delay, I feel impressed at this the opening of another year to report to you our last quarter's work. We closed our labors at Beaver City, Neb., as pastor, Oct. 1.

Here we spent two years in the ministry the most pleasant of our life. We were loathe to leave them, but on account of crop failures during the three years past, they could no longer support the work.

Here at Beaver City we have a body of members who are earnest, devoted Christians. If the church at Beaver City had the wealth of some of our eastern churches, there would be money in our District and National Mission treasuries to carry on the work.

They are at present without a pastor,—

have no preaching yet, are continuing their S. S. and K. C. work. May the choicest of heaven's blessings rest upon the Beaver City church.

We reached Brown Co., Kan., in time to attend and enjoy our District Conference which convened Oct. 17. The work of this conference has already been reported. My family visited in Holt Co., Mo., until Dec. 16, when we moved to Falls City, Neb.

On the evening of Nov. 15, I began a series of meetings at Adrian Mo., south of Kansas City, and continued until Dec. 8. This meeting has already been reported by sister Anna Showalter. This was the most discouraging meeting that I ever held. Yet while there were no additions, we believe there was seed sown that will bring forth.

□ The church here at Adrian is not in a very prosperous condition neither spiritually nor financially. Spirituality the town and community is at a very low ebb. At present the brethren have no regular preaching. In fact no religious service of any kind, partly due to their scattered condition.

We are now at Portis, Kansas, where we held a very successful meeting last winter resulting in thirty-three additions to the church.

We began this series of meetings on Christmas evening and at this writing have four applicants. We are having a very interesting meeting. The greatest obstacle here in our way, is our house is too small to accommodate those who desire to attend. The Methodists are opposing us, as they are holding a protracted meeting which has been continued for about six weeks, but they are doing us no harm, "As we are all here."

We intend to begin a series of doctrinal sermons this evening consisting of ten sermons.

Here at Portis we have a membership of about sixty. This church is in a prosperous condition spiritually, with an evergreen S. S. and K. C. Society. They are earnest, devoted men and women,—some of God's noble "three hundred." Elder D. O. Brumbaugh has charge of the church as elder, who does his loudest preaching in the community in which he lives by his godly life—daily walk and conduct—during this meeting the last child of nine has come to the church, making sixteen in all in his own family, counting sons-in-law and daughters-in-law. Two of these are in the G. B. church. Brother John Walters is their pastor, and the church appreciates his labors here. Pray for the success of this meeting.

J. R. KELLER.